

## Reed Haddock

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**Subject:** Re: Caerus BJU B26 Fed 15B-26

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Cole,  
You have verbal approval for this sidetrack.  
Verbal approval to proceed is contingent upon the assumption that the BHL and wellbore path remain at a legal location for completion. COGCC Permitting Staff will evaluate prior to formal approval of the forthcoming Form 2, Application for Permit to Drill). If the BHL or the productive portion of the sidetrack wellbore extends into locations that are not legal, then Caerus may have to plug back portion(s) of the well that are not legal or obtain waivers from offset mineral interests.

On Sat, Mar 25, 2023 at 11:59 AM Cole Walton <[CWalton@caerusoilandgas.com](mailto:CWalton@caerusoilandgas.com)> wrote:

Aaron and Craig,

We have a fish on the 15B-26 that we have been unable to retrieve. I am looking for permission to plugback and sidetrack. Below is what has taken place and our plans forward if no changes this afternoon. Please let me know if we have a verbal to proceed.

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On 3/19/23 we drilled to 8,041' when we made a trip for a bit. Upon tripping out of the hole, we pulled tight and stuck with the bit depth at 6,122'. We were unable to work free and so we backed off as deep as possible, leaving the BHA (bit, motor, and MWD) and three heavyweight drill pipe in the hole. We made a fishing attempt with no success, so we picked up wash pipe and washed over the fish to the motor bend. We then made another fishing attempt with no success. We will continue to jar on the well this afternoon as we make plans for a sidetrack.

Top of the fish will be at 5,936'.

Top of the Wasatch G is 6030'.

Plan forward would be to set two cement plugs, one 500' plug above the fish with 14.5 ppg cement, followed up by another plug for kick off with 14.5 ppg cement. Top of plug would be around 4900' and dress off for kick off. Sidetrack BHL would still be within the target ellipse of the original plan.

We will work on submitting a Form 2 Sidetrack APD followed by a Form 5 for the abandoned wellbore.

Cole Walton

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